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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Allen Dean Mammel
 Serial No.: 09/398,987
 Filing Date: September 17, 1999
 Group Art Unit: 3643
 Examiner: Rowan, Kurt C.
 Title: *No-Tie Fishing System and Method*

VIA FACSIMILE NO. 703.306.4195
 ATTN: EXAMINER KURT ROWAN

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
 of Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

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December 5, 2002

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment to put this application in condition for allowance. Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTSIN THE CLAIMS:

For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims of the present application are shown below in clean form whether or not an amendment has been made. Please refer to the attached sheet showing a marked-up version of the amendments to the claims.